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## **PRESS RELEASE**

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### **‘Responding to Tomorrow’s Challenges in Structural Engineering’ IABSE Symposium Budapest 2006**

The IABSE Symposium **‘Responding to Tomorrow’s Challenges in Structural Engineering’**, organised by the Hungarian Group of IABSE, will take place in Budapest, Hungary, from September 13-15, 2007. The Symposium Topics are clearly focussed on the future: new functional demands, new expectations, new working practices, and new opportunities. In particular, attractive subject areas will be on the programme, such as: high performance materials, glass, fibre reinforced polymers, and challenging structures. About five hundred professionals from around the world, including designers, contractors, operators, suppliers, government agencies and researchers are expected to attend the Symposium.

The Technical Programme will include four Keynote Lectures:

**‘Structural Design Codes: the Bridge Between Practice and Research’**

Theodore V. Galambos, University of Minnesota, USA

**‘Aerospace Composites in Civil Structures, from the Space Shuttle to San Francisco’s Davis Symphony Hall’**

George S. Springer, Stanford University, USA

**‘Challenging New Structures’**

Mike Schlaich, TU Berlin, Germany

**‘SLD: Design of Structures from Cradle to Grave’**

Joost C. Walraven, TU Delft, The Netherlands

The ‘Young Engineers Programme’, prepared by the Organising Committee and the IABSE Fellows, will allow young engineers to participate at a reduced registration fee, as well as to report on their research or practical work and meet experienced colleagues. Two prizes will be awarded to the most outstanding presentations.

Early Bird Registration for reduced fees is by May 15, 2006. The Final Invitation and more information is available online: [www.iabse.org/conferences/budapest2006/index.php](http://www.iabse.org/conferences/budapest2006/index.php)



*The International Association for Bridge and Structural Engineering (IABSE) comprises 4'000 members in 100 countries. Founded in 1929, IABSE deals with all aspects of planning, design, construction, maintenance and repair of civil engineering structures. To fulfil its mission, IABSE organises conferences and publishes a quarterly journal, Structural Engineering International, as well as books and reports. The Association has a number of technical groups and presents awards in recognition of outstanding contributions in the domain of structural engineering.*

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